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WASHINGTON.

The Georgia Senatorial Question.

Passage in the Senate of the Resolution Modifying the Test Oath.

A Veto of the Test Oath Repeal Bill Foreshadowed by Senator Morton.

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Further Speculations Regarding the Fate of the Tennessee.

A Reassuring Letter from Secretary Robeson.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE INCOME TAX—CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The conference committee on the bankrupt bill had a meeting to-day, at which the difficulties will have further attempting, after which Mr. Hooper will doubtless be ready to report that they can agree to the agreement on the subject. He gave notice on Saturday that on Wednesday he should make another attempt to get the House to go into the consideration of the bill. Meeting with an adverse vote on Saturday, he will not make the motion to-day, but to-day the House, on motion of Mr. Bingham, suspended the rules, and agreed to take up and proceed to the consideration of the bill on Wednesday next, and to continue its consideration from day to day until disposed of. The friends of the measure will endeavor to get the House to agree to the amendments to-day, and thus avoid the necessity of sending the bill back to the Senate, or at the most, not more or later, with reports of the action of the House, which is now considered one of the most influential measures of the session. The sentiment that it has passed the House, and the character of the vote, will have a true expression of the judgment of the Republican party, and asserted that it could not, now its character was known, be passed without prolonged debate, and probably not even then. The Democrats are very hostile to it in effect, although not in intention, they think, and expressed the hope that the President would veto it. They say that the last veto message of Morton's foreshadows a veto, also, perhaps, was the cause in part to give the President a notorious opportunity to show his approval.

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THE APPORTIONMENT BILL

The House Judiciary Committee had up the Apportionment bill to-day, but, as usual, arrived at no definite conclusion after discussing it. The general impression is that it will be reported to the House, with a decrease in representation to certain States, and no member being absent. Certain Western members are determined to have a report from the committee, even though it be adverse, for the purpose of getting the question before the House, where it is thought it can be equitably disposed of. There are certain considerations growing out of the census and the apportionment of several States, which prevents serious members of the committee from voicing favorably upon this bill, although they are in favor of to-day reporting it, and to be the determination of those gentlemen to postpone the question as long as possible, in order that the politics may change in their particular States may have a chance to undergo a change from favorable to unfavorable prospects and ambitions. The friends of the bill, however, will make strenuous efforts to have it reported upon the present week.

THE TENNESSEE.

The letter of Secretary Robeson, read in the House, to-day, affirming the non-acceptance of the ship Tennessee does not have the effect of entirely relieving apprehensions of the people here, because others also have, perhaps, no good opportunities of knowing the facts about the report and quite as much experience in matters of this kind, steadfastly cling to the contrary opinion, and freely express it. The President, to-day, positively asserted in a positive way that congress was firm on the subject, that the commission had no connection or connivance in the matter, and that the arrival by a special steamer, or, in fact, to take any measures out of the usual course to communicate with the Tennessee, or to have her here, action has hitherto prevailed, and has formed the basis of much of the speculation now.

The Cincinnati Commercial

An effort was made in the House to-day to bring up the Newport and Cincinnati bridge resolutions and the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Pennsylvania Central, and his whole force fought desperately. The vote was 112 yeas and 54 nays, not two-thirds. It was a direct issue between the whole Pennsylvania delegation, with three exceptions, obeyed fourth orders, and not only voted but worked against a suspension of the rules. The vote may be regarded as a test, and it is only necessary to get it before the House to have the direction increased to two-thirds, and passed. It will go through in the House, one of the most influential reasons for its passage was the statement that it had passed the Senate. Mr. Morton, in fact, in a true expression of the judgment of the Republican party, and asserted that it could not, now its character was known, be passed without prolonged debate, and probably not even then. The Democrats are very hostile to it in effect, although not in intention, they think, and expressed the hope that the President would veto it. They say that the last veto message of Morton's foreshadows a veto, also, perhaps, was the cause in part to give the President a notorious opportunity to show his approval.

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THE LAW OF COMMON CARRIERS.

In the Court warehouse cases the Supreme Court has laid down certain principles which overthrow the rules on which railroad companies have conducted their business in the transportation of freight. These companies have contended, because common carriers only in the manner and to the extent they had themselves set as carriers in the same way that a private individual may do what he chooses, is at common law; that a private individual may charge what he chooses, is at common law; that a private individual may charge what he chooses, is at common law; that a private individual may charge

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THE LAW COURTS.

Police Trials.

Drunken and Quarrelsome Offenders Arraigned before the Commissioners.

A Policeman's Mode of Settling his Whiskey Bills.

The Obscene Aerial Optics Miller Servant Johnson, and Others.

Circuit Court.

THIS COURT-ROOM.

Chancery.—Judge Blodgett.—Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40,

COMMON COUNCIL.

Resolutions to the Board of Health to Abate a Nuisance.

Passage of a Penal Ordinance for the North Division.

A regular meeting of the Common Council was held last evening, President Haines in the chair. There were present Ald. Somers, Kinkead, Cullerton, Otis, Montgomery, McAuley, Thompson, Bond, Tracy, Scanlan, Satterlee, Gilmore, Bailey, Greer, Prosser, Rossman, Wiese, Walsh, Gage, Cleveland, Gallagher, Hill, Mattison, Bonfoy, Wright, Schmidt, Schubert, Carney, McGinley, Clarke, Dexter, Davies.

BOARD OF HEALTH NUISANCES.

A communication from Mr. James A. Smith, against the action of the Board of Health in declaring his distillery a nuisance, was referred to the Committee on Health.

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A communication from the Board of Education, stating that the Board of Public Works be authorized to contract for the erection of a twelve-room school building on the site of the old Jones school building, and to appropriate $30,000 therefor; also the same kind of building on the north side of Division street, between Hudson and Bonfield, on the 120 feet, corner of Wisconsin and Thirty-third streets, was referred to the Committee on Schools.

A PROPOSITION, instructing the Board of Public Works to erect lamp-posts on Rhine and Webber streets, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

VACATION OF STREETS.

An ordinance for the vacation of Thorpe street was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, and to the West Division.

An ordinance for the vacation of Dudley street, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys in the West Division.

REAPPOINTMENT OF POLICE.

The Committee on Finance reported on the petition of Mayor Heath, asking for the reappointment of the police, recommending that the recommendation be concurred in. Concurred in.

VACATION OF HOBT STREET.

The petition of the Committee on Streets and Alleys of the South Division, in favor of the vacation of Hoyt street, from Archer avenue to the south line of Section 29, 39, 14 east, was referred to, and the ordinance passed.

THE NEW YORK FIRE DEPT.

The report of the Committee on Police, in relation to the organization of a fire department on the corner of Twenty-sixth street and Dearborn avenue, composed of the members of the police station at that point, was concurred in by the passage of the following ordinance:

Ordered, That the Board of Health be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to appoint such persons as may be necessary to cause the abating of the nuisance complained of by the petitioners in the petition of Ald. Kinkead and Stewart aforesaid, and to fix the salary of such persons, and to draw warrants therefor, and at or near the Union Rolling Mill.

THE RESOLUTION LOT.

The report of the Committee on Wharves and Public Grounds adverse to the acceptance of deed of Henry H. Honore, of lot 1 in block 1 in Honore's addition to Chicago, and lying on the north side of the northwest quarter of Block 114, Canal Trustees' subdivision of the south fractional quarter lot, was taken up. The report, however, was not concurred in by the Council, and the matter was referred back to the Committee on Wharves and Public Grounds.

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